



## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  
Valerio Abate et al.

Application No.: 10/579,035

Confirmation No.: 4393

Filed: May 10, 2006

Art Unit: N/A

For: APPARATUS AND PROCESS FOR  
DISTRIBUTED AUTONOMOUS MANAGING  
OF DOCUMENTS AND ELECTRONIC  
MEANS

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS**

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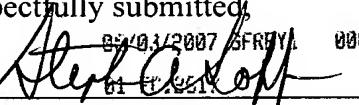
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed March 12, 2007, Applicant respectfully submits a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, a Copy of the Notification and an Assignment for recording.

Please charge our Credit Card in the amount of \$105.00 covering the fees set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(f) and 1.21(h). Credit Card Payment Form SB-2038, with a signature from an authorized cardholder, is enclosed. The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 04-1073, under Order No. J1036.0012/P012. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

Dated: May 1, 2007

Respectfully submitted,

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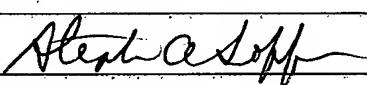
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### SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

Firm Name	DICKSTEIN SHAPIRO LLP		
Signature			
Printed name	Stephen A. Soffen		
Date	May 1, 2007	Reg. No.	31,063



Effective on 12/08/2004.

Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

# FEE TRANSMITTAL

## For FY 2007

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

**TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT** (\$ 105.00)

### Complete if Known

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### METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)

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### FEE CALCULATION

#### 1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

#### 2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

##### Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Small Entity  
Fee (\$)

50 25

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

200 100

Multiple dependent claims

360 180

Total Claims      Extra Claims      Fee (\$)      Fee Paid (\$)  
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Multiple Dependent Claims  
Fee (\$)      Fee Paid (\$)  
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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

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#### 3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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#### 4. OTHER FEE(S)

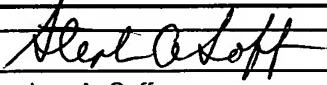
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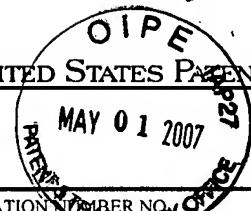
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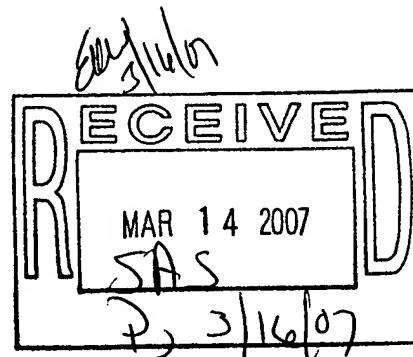
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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/10/2006
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/10/2006
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 05/10/2006
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 05/10/2006
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 05/10/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/10/2006



The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is **\$65** for a Small Entity:

- **\$65** Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

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